USDA APHIS Horse Protection

PLACE, DATE, AND TIME OF MEETINGS:

The first meeting will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel, Vintage Conference Room, 29345 Rancho California Rd, Temecula, California 92591 on Thursday, October 21, 2004. Registration will take place from 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. and end at 9:30 p.m.

The second meeting will be held at the LaQuinta Inn, Seasons Conference Room, 32124 25th Avenue South, Federal Way, Washington 98003 on Saturday, October 23, 2004. Registration will take place from 1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. The meeting will begin at 2:00pm and end at 5:30 p.m.

Pre-registration for each meeting is requested by e-mail at <u>ACE@aphis.usda.gov</u> or by calling the Animal Care headquarters office at (301) 734-7833.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), Animal Care is announcing the continuation of a series of educational meetings on the new technology being tested to enforce the Horse Protection Act. The meetings are designed to provide a forum for information dissemination on various topics that are important for the horse industry to understand. This series of meetings are being held in various geographical locations to facilitate attendance by most of our regulated parties that maintain horses.

Previous meetings were held on Tuesday, June 29, 2004, at the Four Points Sheraton, Lexington Kentucky, Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro, TN on August 4, 2004 and Oasis Inn and Convention Center in Springfield, Missouri on September 24, 2004.

The agenda for the October 21, 2004 meeting in Temecula, California is:

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5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Registration
6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. Welcome and Overview
6:45 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Thermography Technology
7:45 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Gas Chromatography Technology
8:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Questions and Answers
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The agenda for the October 23, 2004 meeting in Federal Way, Washington is:

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2:00 p.m 2:45 p.m.	Welcome and Overview
2:45 p.m 3:30 p.m.	Thermography Technology
3:45 p.m 4:30 p.m.	Gas Chromatography Technology
4:30 p.m 5:30 p.m.	Questions and Answers